

# ANCHORAGE AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

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GENERAL MEETING-June 5th at 7PM - 1st United Methodist Church  
Northwest Corner of 8th and G St., ANCH. Enter from North side  
of building

## ELECTIONS ELECTIONS ELECTIONS

The following are Nominees for the Office named:

President - Fred Wegmer-KL7HFM	Simon Carraway-NL7VR
Vice-Pres.- Joab Beller-AL7NK	Mel Saunders-WL7IHE
Activities Mgr. -----	-----
Secretary - Richard Mote-AL7MO	-----
Treasurer - Fielder Dowding-KL7FHX	-----
3 Year Board Member - Jerry Swanson-AL7HS	-----

1 year Board Member (Six to be elected):

John Antonuk-AL7ID	John Lawson-NL7NC
Steve Brown-NL7US	Clarence Hammer-NL7HF
Jerry Swanson-AL7HS	Joan Beller-AL7NK
Mel Saunders-WL7IHE	Simon Carraway-NL7VR
Lajarie Scott-WL7BU	Bob Baker-NL7UH

Don't forget that we need the Blanks filled in as we need  
TWO Nominees for each Office. If you would like to  
Volunteer to run for one of these offices or know someone  
who does please let Joan Beller-AL7NR know at the time of  
the meeting or better even call her at 338-0838.

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## Calendar 1991-1992

January 1992

General Mtg 3rd  
 Board Mtg 8th  
 PARKA Mtg 25th

July 1992

General Mtg 3rd  
 Board Mtg 8th  
 PARKA Mtg 25th

February

General Mtg 7th  
 Board Mtg 12th  
 Fur Rondy - Grand Prix 14  
 - Dog Races 21/22/23  
 World X-Ctry Ski Races  
 26-Mar 6  
 Iditarod Sled Dog Races  
 PARKA Mtg 29th

August

General Mtg 7th  
 Board Mtg 12th  
 PARKA Mtg 29th  
 Bush Net Picnic 15th

March

General Mtg 6th  
 Board Mtg 11th  
 Social Mtg 18th  
 PARKA Mtg 28th

September

General Mtg 4th  
 Board Mtg 9th  
 Flea Market/Hamfest 26/27  
 PARKA Mtg ???

APRIL

General Mtg 3rd  
 Board Mtg 8th  
 PARKA Mtg 25th

October

General Mtg 2nd  
 Board Mtg 14th  
 PARKA Mtg 31st

May

General Mtg 1st  
 Board Mtg 13th  
 Walk For Hope  
 PARKA Mtg 30th

November

General Mtg 6th  
 Board Mtg 11th  
 PARKA Mtg 28th

June

GENERAL MIG ELECTION 5th  
 BOARD MIG NEW/OLD 10th  
 FIELD DAY 27/28  
 PARKA MIG. 27th  
 MOTLEY PICNIC 26-27-28  
 (BYERS LAKE)

December

Club Christmas Party 4th  
 Board Mtg 9th  
 PARKA Mtg 28th

IF there are any Additions or Corrections to the Calendar,  
 please call NL7DK at 333-4693. Thanks!

## Anchorage Amateur Radio Club Boardmeeting Minutes 5-13-92

The Anchorage Amateur Radio Club monthly boardmeeting was held at the Hope Cottage headquarters at 540 W. International Airport Rd at 7:00 PM. the following boardmembers were in attendance: KL7HFM, AL7OA, NL7UH, NL7DL, AL7BB, KL7YF, KL7ITI, AL7BK, NL7KN, AL7NK, KL7HO, KL7PX, AL7IM, AL7ID (who was late!). Also present were the following: NL7DK, WL7BF, KL7IZZ, NL7NN (who was really late!!)

The meeting was opened at 7:00 PM by President Fred Wegmer, KL7HFM.

The board discussed the wide use of the 147.00 (+600) repeater which has requested financial and equipment aid. It was decided to invite Nate Smith KL7DJE to the next boardmeeting to discuss the new repeater's needs, and to table further discussion until after the meeting with Nate.

Approximately 25-30 people showed up for the Potter Marsh Adopt-a-Highway cleanup program. They did an excellent job. Thanks, guys! KL7VC found an old safe which was turned over the State Troopers. And NL7UH swept up about 45 pounds worth of diamonds from the boardwalk parking lot (we're rich!). The potluck after the cleanup was great!

There will be a bunny hunt held possibly for the July meeting. Jim Moody NL7C will be the bunny (isn't it nice of us to tell you, Jim?)

Beginning with the July meeting, the AARC general and boardmeetings will be held at the Alaska Pacific University-Carr Gottstein Center, room 102. The boardmeetings will be held in the same building, room 104.

The board dicided to spend about \$100.00 to repair the club trailer. It has a broken fastening hitch and is missing a jack.

The board discussed several possibilities for field day sites, since we will not be able to use the area behind Providence Hospital. Bob Baker NL7UH suggested using the parking lot on 9th and L. He will also check into the possibility of using one of the high schools.

The Plan B Field Day site, if we need to use it, will be the same area we used last year. This is the open field area along 36th Avenue, across the street from MacInnes Street. There is a church on the west corner and a park on the east corner, across from the site.

The board voted to allow the VHF committee the funds to purchase an MNP error-correcting, 2400 baud modem to replace the modem on the 94 machine.

The VHF committee reports that work is still being carried out on the 440 repeater.

The 147.30/90 repeater is down. The reason for the failure is unknown and will remain unknown until the road to the repeater becomes passable. (ARES members please note that we will continue to run the ARES net on Thurs. eves. at 8:00 PM on 147.30 SIMPLEX, until further notice).

The board discussed resparking an interest in ham radio for the Boys' and Girls' Clubs of Alaska. The clubs are currently located at 2300 W. 36th Ave in the old Woodland Park Elementary School. See Harvey if you are interested in helping with this, and if you live in the Woodland Park area. His number is 333-4693.

Rick KL7YF desperately needs at least 10 square feet of storage space until flea market time. Flea market electronic "goodies" have taken over his garage, basement and attic which are all full to capacity! Since none of it is chocolate, NL7DL is threatening to divorce him! If you have some space, and can store some of the goodies, contact KL7YF at 277-6741 SOON!!

The boardmeeting was dismissed at around 8:30 PM because Lil was going into the DT's for lack of chocolate.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Lil Marvin NL7DL*

Lil Marvin NL7DL

## Anchorage Amateur Radio Club General Meeting Minutes 5-1-92

The Anchorage Amateur Radio Club general meeting was opened at 7:00 PM at the First United Methodist Church at 725 W. 9th Avenue.

There will be an antenna party held at the home of Bill Beach AL7MM, 1711 George Bell Circle on May 16, beginning at 12:00 PM until whenever. They will be putting together and marking the new club A3 beam. They will also be making several copper cactus antennas. Information on how to make these can be had from the ARRL handbook. If you'd like to participate contact Bill at 345-1667.

John AL7ID discussed Field Day. We will not be at Providence Hospital as was previously thought. Field Day site is presently unknown. Stay tuned.

There will be a novice/tech station, cw station, and voice station. The novice/tech station will set up and operated by novices and techs only. If you can help set up, operate, or tear down, contact John at 346-1022. Field Day is June 26 and 27.

If you can help cook hamburgers, hot dogs, or chicken for the Field Day potluck, call Lil NL7DL at 277-6741. You are asked to bring the following for the potluck:

novices	vegetables
all techs	salads
generals	hot dishes
advanced	chips, dips, rolls, etc.
extra	dessert

We won't object if you prefer to bring your favorite dish. The potluck will be at 6:00 PM on Saturday.

Those who wish to participate in the Potter Marsh cleanup are asked to meet at the Potter Marsh Boardwalk on May 9, at 9 AM. Wear gloves and rubber boots. A potluck will follow at the home of KL7IZZ and KL7HO at 12101 Lilac Circle after the cleanup.

Susan NL7NN, our permanent fleamarket chairperson, needs an auctioneer for fleamarket--preferably someone who will work for free. Fleamarket will be held September 19 and 20 this year.

Bill Reiter KL7ITI will head ham communications for the annual Walk for Hope this year.. The Walk will be held on May 2 between 6:00 AM and 6:00 PM this year. Communications will be on 146.94. Lynne Duncan is heading ham communications for the Eagle River Walk for Hope.

The monthly club social meeting will be held on May 20 at 7:00 PM at the Royal Fork.

Keith proposed having information on the Anchorage Amateur Radio Club printed in the next Milepost. N5F4W

Mike Naumann KL7DZE gave an excellent presentation on the 1964 earthquake. Good job, Mike!!

The June meeting will be election meeting. So as not to get elected, bring yourself and a friend!! To further entice you to attend the election, an Alinco 2-meter mobile radio will be offered as a raffle prize.

Raffle prizes were awarded. Lil won the M&M's and didn't share them with ANYONE!!

The eatin' after the meetin' was held at Elmer's. Lil didn't attend because she already had her M&M's.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Lil Marvin NL7DL*  
Lil Marvin NL7DL

	CALL	FROM	TO
<b>ANCHORAGE</b>			
VILMA M. ANDERSON	NL7YK	H.F. TECHNICIAN	GENERAL
JOHN D. BRONNER	WL7AC	N.C. TECHNICIAN	H.F. TECHNICIAN
MARIUM L. CLARE	WL7CFA	NOVICE	H.F. TECHNICIAN
DONALD D. DEADRICK		NOVICE	H.F. TECHNICIAN
DARYL A. DOUTHAT		NO LICENSE	N.C. TECHNICIAN
ALAN C. FRENSEY		NO LICENSE	N.C. TECHNICIAN
MELAINE R. HURST	WL7CCR	NOVICE	H.F. TECHNICIAN
ROBERT K. KELLY JR.	WL7BTW	NOVICE	H.F. TECHNICIAN
JEAN PIERRE J. LEGAULT		NO LICENSE	N.C. TECHNICIAN
JIM H. McDERMOTT	NL7ZH	H.F. TECHNICIAN	GENERAL
JOHN N. MORRIS		NO LICENSE	N.C. TECHNICIAN
CORDELL W. PAGH	NL7ZB	N.C. TECHNICIAN	H.F. TECHNICIAN
HARRY H. POST JR.	WL7BHN	NOVICE	H.F. TECHNICIAN
JUDITH F. RAMAGE		NO LICENSE	N.C. TECHNICIAN
MICHAEL S. RICHARDSON		NO LICENSE	N.C. TECHNICIAN
DAVID S. VICKERY		NO LICENSE	H.F. TECHNICIAN
FRANK J. VONDERSAAR		NO LICENSE	N.C. TECHNICIAN
LAWRENCE M. WHITING	WL7CCS	H.F. TECHNICIAN	GENERAL
<b>BETHEL</b>			
<b>BIG LAKE</b>			
PATRICIA A. DAFT	WL7BQH	TECHNICIAN	GENERAL
THOMAS M. CORBITT	NL7OW	TECHNICIAN	GENERAL
WARREN D. MILLER	NL7UP	TECHNICIAN	GENERAL
<b>BYERS LAKE</b>			
<b>EAGLE RIVER</b>			
THOMAS G. BERTICEVICH	NL7FM	H.F. TECHNICIAN	ADVANCED
TIMOTHY R. CAVANAGH		NO LICENSE	NOVICE
DONALD D. DEADRICK		NO LICENSE	NOVICE
GEORGE R. FEATHERLY IV		NO LICENSE	H.F. TECHNICIAN
JOHN F. MEYER JR.	NL7PY	GENERAL	ADVANCED
DAVID F. VICKERY		NO LICENSE	N.C. TECHNICIAN
ROBERT L. WALKER		NO LICENSE	N.C. TECHNICIAN
RICHARD A. WILLARD		NO LICENSE	N.C. TECHNICIAN
<b>FAIRBANKS</b>			
JOEL A. BALLEK	WL7AI	GENERAL	ADVANCED
DANIEL E. BETTINGER(16 YRS OLD)	WL7CEK	NOVICE	H.F. TECHNICIAN
LEO BETTINGER	WL7CX	TECHNICIAN	GENERAL
RICHARD J. BETTINGER (17 YRS OLD)	WL7CEH	NOVICE	H.F. TECHNICIAN
PATRICK M. BOKEY	WL7BYX	GENERAL	ADVANCED
CHARLES F. CHASE III		NO LICENSE	N.C. TECHNICIAN
CHARLES E. DENNIS	KL7YY	GENERAL	ADVANCED
NICHOLAS W. GOSTRY		NO LICENSE	NOVICE
CHRISTOPHER R. JASPERSON (11 YRS OLD)	WL7CBT	NOVICE	H.F. TECHNICIAN
THOMAS E. LASSEK		NO LICENSE	N.C. TECHNICIAN
WILLIAM L. LeFEVER SR.	WL7BQ	N.C. TECHNICIAN	H.F. TECHNICIAN
CASSANDRA TIEBER		NO LICENSE	NOVICE
GRETNA L. ZITO		NO LICENSE	N.C. TECHNICIAN
MARCUS W. ZITO		NO LICENSE	N.C. TECHNICIAN
<b>HOMER</b>			
<b>JUNEAU</b>			
JEFFREY ANDERSON	WL7CDK	NOVICE	H.F. TECHNICIAN
ROBERT W. HUGHES		NO LICENSE	N.C. TECHNICIAN
ROBERT R. SIMPSON	NL7IZ	N.C. TECHNICIAN	H.F. TECHNICIAN
<b>PALMER</b>			
<b>PETERSBURG</b>			
CHARLES M. ROSEL	KL7JKT	NOVICE	H.F. TECHNICIAN
SOLDOTNA			
VALDEZ			
WASILLA			
WILLOW			
FRIEDA PLUMB		NO LICENSE	N.C. TECHNICIAN

NOTE (N.C. TECHNICIAN-NO CODE TECHNICIAN)  
 (H.F. TECHNICIAN-TECHNICIAN WITH H.F. PRIVILEGES)  
 submitted by Roger Hansen, KL7HFQ, VEC Director)

TWAS THE NIGHT BEFORE FIELD DAY

'Twas the night before Field Day, when all through the lands,  
The bottom fell out of the amateur bands.  
The dipoles were strung from the towers with care,  
In hopes that Ol' Murphy would not appear there.  
We were hauling on ropes, arms as heavy as lead,  
While visions of victory danced in our heads.  
When John on the tower inspecting a trap,  
Grabbed hold of a feedline and got a good Zap!

Down in the shack there arose such a clatter,  
We ran to the tent to see what was the matter.  
One of the finals let loose a blue flash,  
Tore open the cabinet, and blew out some trash.  
We put out the fire and went back to work,  
Wading to towers through the muddiest murk,  
When what to our wondering eyes should appear,  
But a ten element quad and a full case of Beer.

Visibility was zero, the rain was so thick,  
We knew in a moment, the quad was a trick.  
Our heads, they were spinning, our legs felt quite lame,  
As Rick whistled and shouted and called us by name.  
"To the tops of the towers, to the ends of the booms!  
Now lash away! Lash away! Get moving you goons!"

Up to the towers, the beams, they all went,  
With most of the elements broken or bent.  
When we finished the job, we knew we would appreciate,  
That we had the best signal to the lower 48.  
We sprang to our rigs, in our mikes gave a whistle,  
And away the watts flew like the down of a thistle.

A tune across twenty soon gave us to know,  
Our station was working and ready to go.  
Since we were done, we had nothing to lose,  
By crawling in bed to catch a quick snooze.  
And I heard Lil exclaim as she turned out the light,  
Happy Field Day to all and to all a good fight!

Courtesy of: Walt, WA1KKM/7 and Tony WA7UQG  
Printed in "The Totem Tabloid"  
Western Washington Dx, Club  
1976

Edited for AARC by: KL7ITI

## Contesters/DXers

## BARCELONA '92 OLYMPIC AWARD

Radio Amateurs in the Olympic City and in other Olympic sub-centres, have organized this award to commemorate the celebration of the Olympic Games in Barcelona.

**PERIOD:** 4 weeks. From 00:00 hours UTC on the 20th of June to 24:00 hours UTC on the 17th of July 1992. **PARTICIPANTS:** Stations in possession of Amateur Radio License and SWL all over the world. **BANDS:** 10,15,20,40,80, and 160 metres. (In the segments recommended for competition by the IARU). **MODE:** Contact can be made in any of the following modes: SSB, CW, RTTY, AMTOR, SSTV, and PACKET RADIO. **EXCHANGE:** RS(T,V). QIR will not be passed but must be noted in the log in UTC time. **SCORE:** Each contact with AM25 or AO25 stations will carry 1 point. Each contact with official Olympic centre and sub-centre stations will carry 5 points. In order to receive an award it is necessary to accumulate 100 points and to have worked at least 5 Official Olympic centre or sub-centre stations, among which Barcelona must be present. Repeated contacts with the same station are permitted as long as this occurs in a different mode or band, and as long as a minimum of 24 hours has elapsed since the previous contact. For SWL the same scoring system will apply. While the call sign and the contact confirmation must be reported by both stations heard. AM25 or AO25 stations are eligible for the award under the same conditions. Call signs for the official Olympic centre and sub-centres will be as follows:

EX92B-----BARCELONA  
 EX92A-----BANYOLES  
 EX92C-----CASTELLDEFELS  
 EX92D-----BADALONA  
 EX92G-----GRANOLLERS  
 EX92H-----L'HOSPITALET DE LLLOBREGAT  
 EX92I-----VILADECANS  
 EX92L-----SABADELL  
 EX92M-----MOLLET  
 EX92N-----VALENCIA  
 EX92R-----REUS  
 EX92S-----SANT SADURNI D'ANOIA  
 EX92T-----TERRASSA  
 EX92U-----SEU D'URGELL  
 EX92V-----VIC  
 EX92Z-----ZARAGOZA

**AWARDS:** For the overall champion. For the highest scoring station in each continent. For the highest score in each country. **LOGS:** The log must show date, time (UTC) of the QSO, call sign of the contacted station, and name and address of participant, as well as a signed declaration that the conditions of this award are accepted, and that the regulations applicable to radio amateurs in the country have been respected. Any violations of the conditions of this award, unsportsmanlike behaviour, or the inclusion of

excessive duplicated contacts will lead to the disqualification of the participant. Logs should be sent before the 1st of September 1992 to:

COMITE ORGANIZADOR ACTIVIDADES RADIOAMATEURS BARCELONA-92  
(HF AWARD)  
P.O.Box 1461  
08080-BARCELONA  
(SPAIN)

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### BARCELONA'92 OLYMPIC GAMES HF CONTEST

OBJECT: The Organizing Committee of Amateur Radio Activities is organizing this contest in connection to the celebration of the Barcelona-92 Olympic Games, so that radioamateurs all over the world can contact other stations in as many zones and countries as possible, especially with those which have organized Olympic Games, and including the city of Barcelona and its local Olympic sub-centres, in 1992.

PERIOD: From 00:00 hours UTC on the 18th of July to 24:00 hours UTC on the 19th of July.

BANDS: All bands from 10 to 160 metres, except WARC bands.

MODE: Mixed (SSB and CW).

CATEGORIES: a) Mono-operator mono-band. b) Mono-operator multi-band. c) Multi-operator with single transmitter (multi-band only) d) Multi-operator with multi transmitters (multi-band only) e) QRP (maximum 5 W output) f) SWL.

EXCHANGE: SSB: RS control and CQ zone (e.g. 5914) CW : RSI control and CQ zone (e.g. 59914).

MULTIPLIERS:

a) A multiplier of ONE (1) for each different CQ zone contacted in each band.

b) A multiplier of ONE (1) for each different prefixes, in each DXCC country having organized Olympic Games, contacted in each band. These countries are : SU, F, G, SM, ON, PA, DL, OH, UK, I, JA, XE, VE, UA, HL, EA, (e.g. the following will count as multipliers: SU1, SU2, SM4, SM6, EA4, EA2, KS, N2 etc. The following will not count as multipliers since they are different countries in the DXCC: UA2, ISO, UA9, GM, GI, KH6, etc.) Excepctionally EA6, EA8, and EA9 will count as EA stations and as multipliers although they are different DXCC countries.

Portable designators without numbers will be assigned a zero (0) after the second letter of the designator to form the prefix. Example EA3RCL/LA would become LA0.

c) A multiplier of ONE (1) for each official Olympic centre, or sub-centre station contacted in each band. The Olympic centre Barcelona, and the sub-centres are differentiated by means of distinct suffix letters as shown below:

EH92B-----BARCELONA  
EH92A-----BANYOLES  
EH92C-----CASTELLDEFELS  
EH92D-----BADALONA  
EH92G-----GRANOLLERS  
EH92H-----L'HOSPITALET DE LLOBREGAT  
EH92I-----VILADECANS  
EH92L-----SABADELL

EX92M-----MOLLET  
 EX92N-----VALENCIA  
 EX92R-----REUS  
 EX92S-----SANT SADURNI D'ANDIA  
 EX92T-----TERRASSA  
 EX92U-----SEU D'URGELL  
 EX92V-----VIC  
 EX92Z-----ZARAGOZA

**POINTS:** a) Contacts with stations from different continents carry three (3) points. b) Contacts between stations in the same continent carry one (1) point, except in North America where these contacts carry two (2) points. c) Contacts in SSB and CW are scored similarly. **SCORE:** The final score is the result of multiplying the sum of QSO points by the sum of multipliers of all the bands. Example: 1000 QSO points by 50 multipliers in the band total (30 zones + 15 prefixes + 5 Olympic centres)= 50,000 points (final score). **REMARKS:** a) A period of inactivity of at least 12 hours is mandatory for mono-operator stations. This period can be divided into smaller units, which must be a minimum of three hours duration. All such periods should be marked in the log. b) Repeating a contact with the same station is permitted provided that this occurs in a different band or mode, and that at least fifteen (15) minutes have elapsed since the first contact. c) Multi-operator stations must remain at least ten (10) minutes in each band before changing. d) For multi-transmitters there is no limit on transmissions but only one signal per band is allowed. All transmitters must be situated within a diameter of 500 metres or within the limits of the license owner's property. Antennas must be physically connected to transmitters. e) QRP (only for mono-operator). Power must not exceed 5 W output. Stations in this category will compete only with other QRP stations.

f) SWL. The same scoring and multipliers will apply. In each QSO contact, only one of the two stations will be counted (for purposes of points and multipliers, the one which is most worth for the SWL station). **LOG INSTRUCTIONS:** a) Times should be specified in UTC. b) All sent and received exchanges, and modalities (SSB or CW) must be noted. c) Multipliers should be specified only the first time of working in each band. d) Separate lists should be drawn up for each band. e) Duplicated contacts, scoring and multipliers should be carefully checked. Penalties for duplicated contacts which are not indicated will be: For up to 1% of the total contacts, 10% of the final score; for up to 2% of the total contacts, 20% of the final score. An excess of non-indicated duplicated contacts incurs the risk of possible disqualification. f) All participants who attain more than 200 QSO in a band must send a log to check duplications. g) SWL stations must note the call sign of each station heard in each QSO as well all the checks sent by both. h) The log format will be DIN A4, and may contain 40 or 80 contacts per page. To facilitate checking we would appreciate the inclusion of the corresponding disk (compatible MS-DOS ASCII file). i) Each participant must

submit a summary sheet with all information relating to scores, and competition category. Include also name and address (in block capitals) and a signed declaration that the competition rules, and amateur radio regulations of the country in question, have been respected. j) Thank you in advance for including logs for checking. AWARDS: A certificate for those classified in the first three of each country in each category. An Olympic medal for those classified in the first three of each continent in each category. A medal and special trophy for the world leader in each category. To be eligible for an award it is necessary to accumulate at least 5% of the score of the world champion in each category. DISQUALIFICATION: Any violation of the amateur radio regulations in the country in question, and of the competition rules, unsportsmanlike behaviour, and the inclusion of excessive number of duplicates or nonverifiable contacts or multipliers will be sufficient cause for disqualification. Decisions of the Competition Organizing Committee are final. MAILING ADDRESS: Logs should be sent before September 1st 1992 to:

COMITE ORGANIZADOR ACTIVIDADES RADIOAMATEURS BARCELONA-92  
(HF CONTEST)  
P.O.Box 1461  
08080 - BARCELONA  
(SPAIN)

Editors NOTE: I hope you guys understand this because I DON'T. ED.

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#### NEW MEETING PLACE      NEW MEETING PLACE

Our July Meeting will be held at Alaska Pacific University in the CARR GOTTSIEIN Academic Center, Room #102. Our July Board Meeting will also be held at APU, but in Room #104. More about this in the July Newsletter.

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#### Boys/Girls Clubs of Greater Anchorage

Would you be interested in helping to get a Radio Class and/or Club started at the Boys/Girls Club. If you have the interest please get in touch with Harvey-NL7DK at 333-4693 and he will try to get more details on the subject.

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For Sale-- Cleaning out the "Storage Room" MUST GO! Misc. Radio and non-Radio related items. For list, S.A.S.E. (normal business+) to: A.R.S. WL7BXM, RR Box 2590, HC 34, Wasilla, AK. 99654-2590 or call 892-8998. Lv. Msg.

For Sale-- KENWOOD TS 140S plus matching speaker plus CW filter and full Service Manual. \$695.00 Firm Price

LARSON Mag Mount 10 meter Antenna with second (longer) Antenna in case you want to put it on the CB Band. \$30.00 Firm Price. Kenneth W. Hunt WB7DUU phone 243-8842

For Sale-- ICOM 735, PS-55, SP-7, FL-32A, EX-243, SM-6. Paid \$1406 in December. Sell for \$1000 Cash or Certified Check. No offers or trades.

KENWOOD TH-25AT, BC-11, PB-6, PB-8 \$200. Frank-AL7CA, 333-8212.

WANTED WANTED WANTED

Storage Space for Flea Market items. Approximately 10'x 10'x 40' high according to Rick-KL7YF. His is out of storage room for these items and we still have four months to go before the Flea Market. If you can help or have any suggestions, please call Rick at 277-6741.

FIELD DAY FIELD DAY FIELD DAY

Don't forget that Field Day is going to be the 27th/28th of this month. If you want to participate or help out in some way, Contact John-AL7ID at 346-1022. He will be glad to have all the help he can get.

YL's This was received by Merle Beller our SM. Can one or more YL's respond!



GWEN TILSON  
3 GOULD CRT. MT. WAVERLEY, VICTORIA, AUSTRALIA 3149

2nd May, 1992

Dear Merle,

I found your name and address in the March issue of QST which has just arrived, and thought I would drop you a line to see if you could help me with a query about Anchorage. Basically, the question is: Is there a Radio Club in Anchorage with regular meeting nights and if so, when are they?

The reason for this is that I'm heading Stateside on 22nd July to revisit my YL friends in Pennsylvania and thought I'd go via Alaska, spending a couple of weeks looking round. It would be lovely to meet some Alaskan amateurs, though I haven't spoken to very many on air.

My plans are to fly into Anchorage on 28th July, and I have a booking at the Super 8 Motel. I've hopefully arranged to go on a couple of side trips - to Denali Nat. Park and to Kotzbue/Nome, but will have the odd day and night in Anchorage before leaving for Juneau on 5th August and thence down the Inside Passage on a small boat.

Earlier this year I did write to a YL whose name and address I found in YLRL Harmonics but have had no reply. I realize the easiest way to make contact with people on arrival would be to bring an H.T. with me and get on a local repeater but I think my camera gear will be heavy enough to cart around without worrying about radios!

Any info or advice you could give me would be greatly appreciated.

Best 73,

Gwen

Vh3D YL

# DXing in a new era

**NORM BROOKS, K6FO**

Organizers of the 43rd Annual International DX Convention in Visalia, California, April 10, 11 and 12, 1992, were honored to have Dave Sumner, K1ZZ, ARRL Executive Vice President, as the opening speaker. In addition to reporting on the outcome of the WARC 1992 conference in Barcelona, Spain, Dave's remarks went on to declare a new era of amateur responsibility worldwide.

## WARC '92

"The good news is that we came through the 1992 World Amateur Radio Administrative Conference unscathed," Sumner said. "We came through with no changes in the amateur HF spectrum. There was not enough change in the allocation for HF broadcasting to justify any realignment in amateur frequencies.

Actually, only 50 kHz, from 7300 to 7350 kHz, was officially allocated to broadcasting. We all know that the broadcasters already use 7300 to 7350 and even more (even our own Voice of America), so it was just paper shuffling to legitimize what was already taking place.

"It appears that WARC scheduling may change. In the next three or four years we may see a WARC with a very limited agenda every two years. It doesn't mean we will have critical threats every two years, but it does mean we will have to pay close attention to what is on the agendas."

## Socially responsible DXing

In his speech's keynote theme, Sumner declared that we ought to be supporting activities and aiding people who, for example, visit a country and leave Amateur Radio in a better condition than it was when they got there. "There are several people at this convention who clearly fall into that category and who deserve the support and encouragement of the amateur community. It might result in having to make tradeoffs. Maybe you won't be able to make as many contacts as desired because you will have to spend some time with the local people. In the long run it's more important than the number of QSOs. For example, the March 1992 *Reader's Digest* ran an absolutely true story about people I know ('Rescue by Radio' about Ned Raub, W1RAN, and his successful efforts in bringing 'Seth' Keo, XU1SS, out of a refugee camp to a happy reunion with his family). There's the Albanian operation for another exam-

ple. There are a lot of good things the DXers are doing, and I hope it will continue.

"That's the good news. The bad news is that we continue to have a lot of operating problems. We continue to have a disruptive element in our midst. This is something on which we can't take a 'nothing can be done' attitude. I believe something can be done, and will be done. One thing that is occurring, of which you will be seeing more evidence, is that the FCC will feel that something has to be done as well. The FCC is going to be issuing a lot more notices of apparent liability to violators of their rules, and not just amateur rules. They're doing the same thing across the board, but it will also affect Amateur Radio. We're not supposed to call them 'fines'—they are officially termed 'Notice of Apparent Liability for Monetary Forfeiture.'

"In the past these forfeitures have topped out at the level that will buy you a good transceiver. In the near future, they will be at the levels that will buy you a pretty good car. There's another factor. This raises the forfeiture level above the trigger point where the US Attorney's office gets interested in going out and actually collecting the money. We're going to see a lot more of that kind of enforcement action in the months to come. I know that the vast majority of the Amateur Radio community will welcome all this with open arms.

"We should not look to the FCC to solve all our problems, because a lot of our problems have nothing to do with the violation of FCC rules. Intra-community problems ought to be solved among ourselves. Our clubs should take responsibility for making the amateur community aware of what activities are not to be tolerated.

"Another challenge is the use of technology. We know we have a lot more technology at our fingertips today than a few short years ago. Once we take the cloak of anonymity away from some of the disruptive elements in our midst, a lot of the problems will go away.

"Today, in many of the Asian and Pacific rim countries especially, Amateur Radio is held in far higher esteem than it was just a few years ago. This should be something of a beacon for us to see if we can accomplish a new, higher level of social responsibility for Amateur Radio." □

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